

VOLUNTEER RECREATION INTERNSHIPS

BUILD YOUR RESUME

GAIN CAREER EXPERIENCE

VOLUNTEER FOR THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE THIS SUMMER!

General Recreation Worker -- Work to protect the resource by patrolling, informing and educating. Expand your knowledge of natural resource management practices, policies and regulations. Experience first-hand how travel management principles are applied. Communicate Forest Service and natural resources information to people from varying backgrounds. Ride along and assist Forest Service employees as they drive backcountry roads; answer a variety of natural resource questions in the field; participate behind the scenes in activities and projects, which support the Forest Service mission to *Care for the Land and Serve People*.

ENHANCE YOUR SKILLS

- 1) Strengthen your communication skills by answering natural resource based questions related to recreation including leave-no-trace principals, camping, hiking, backpacking, off-road and scenic driving, public firewood sales, and fire prevention.
- 2) Expand your knowledge of natural resource management practices, policies and regulations; applying management principles in the field in order to prevent damage to wet areas, minimize cross-country road travel by encouraging people to stay on designated roads and respect road closures.

EXPECT TO:

- 1) Work under supervision of Canyon Lakes Ranger District's travel manager.
- 2) Accompany Forest Service employees on routine patrols, assisting with educating the public about Leave-No-Trace principles and regulations.
- 3) Drive gravel and dirt roads using a manual transmission vehicle, initially in pairs and eventually alone.
- 4) Keep log of daily contacts and repair needs and photograph resource conditions.
- 5) Install information signs throughout the district.
- 6) Use a Forest Service radio in the field to communicate with staff.
- 7) Receive an Interagency Volunteer Annual pass, after completing 250 hours good for FREE entry into all National Parks.

WORK SCHEDULE

Four hundred hours guaranteed. Three days a week: Friday 8:00 – 4:30; Saturday 9:00 – 5:30; Sunday 8:00 – 4:30. Work begins May 23 and extends through October. Hours flexible when in school and during trainings.

TO EXPRESS INTEREST

Please send an email to Lenora Arevalos at larevalos@fs.fed.us or call her at 970-295-6725. Application requirements available upon request.

